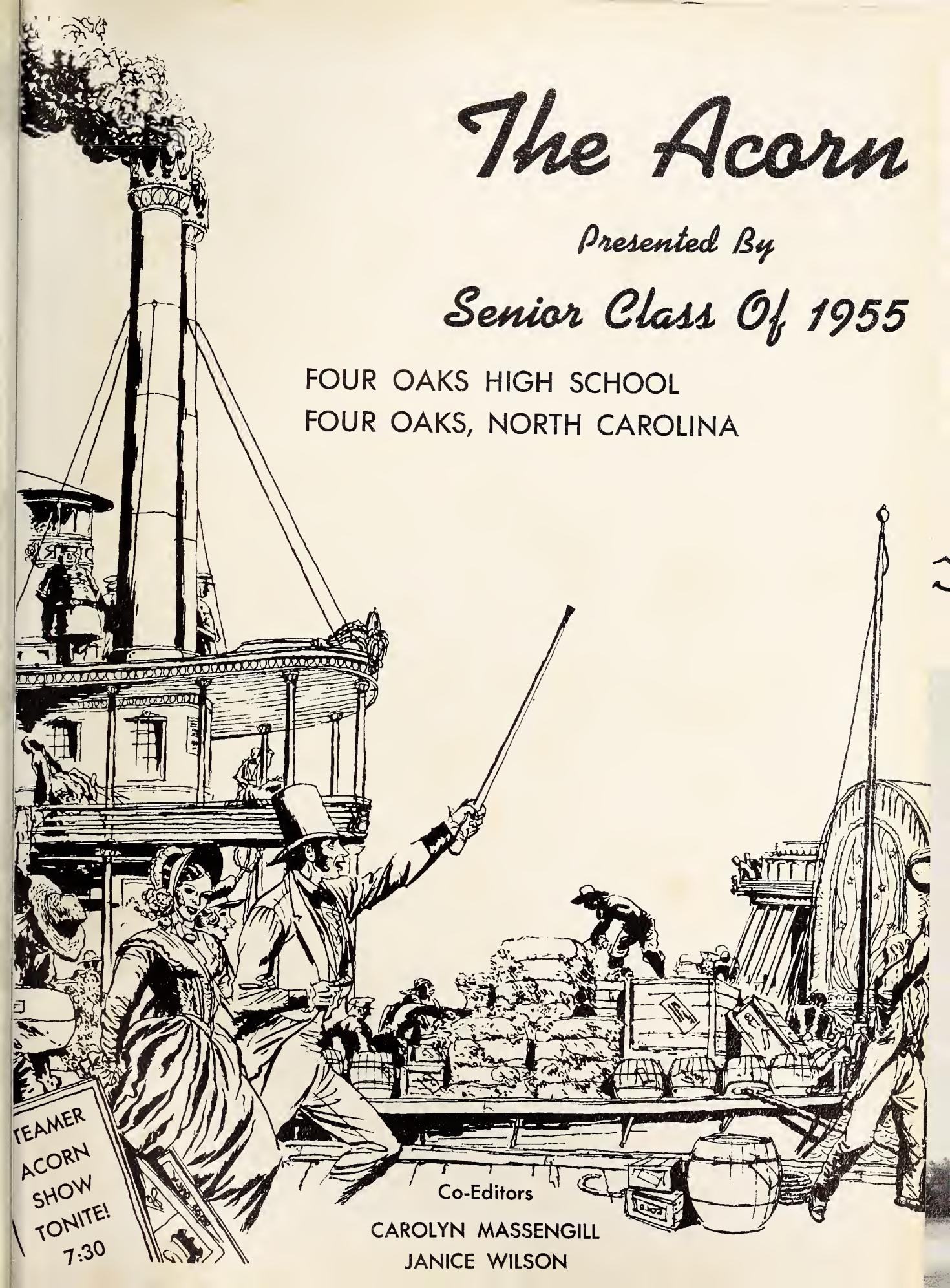


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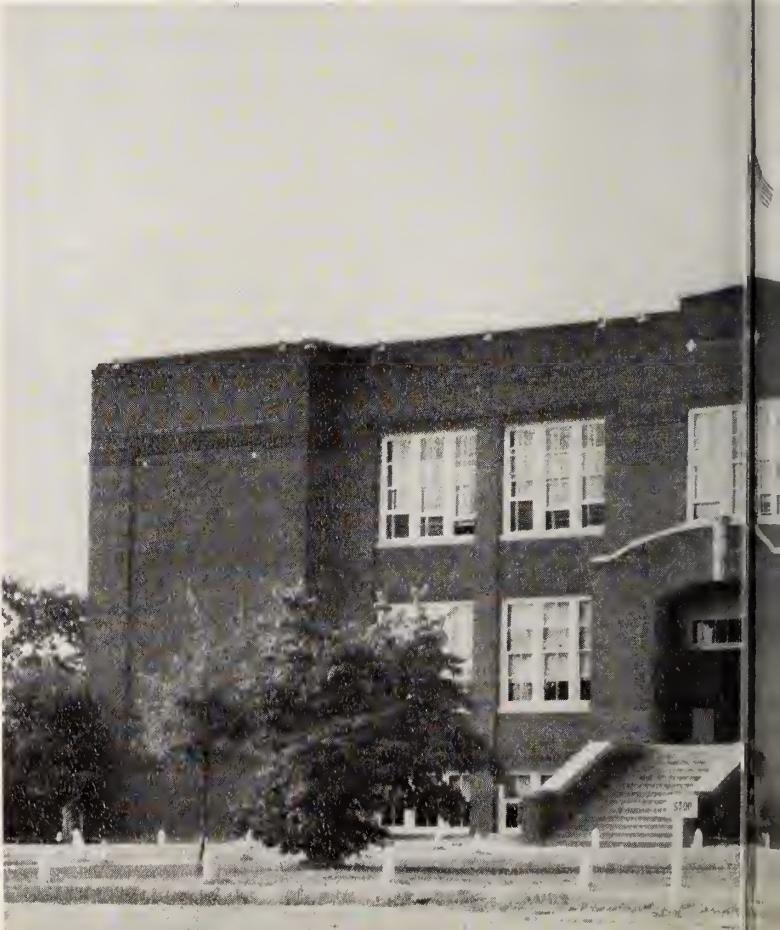
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FOUR OAKS, NORTH CAROLINA

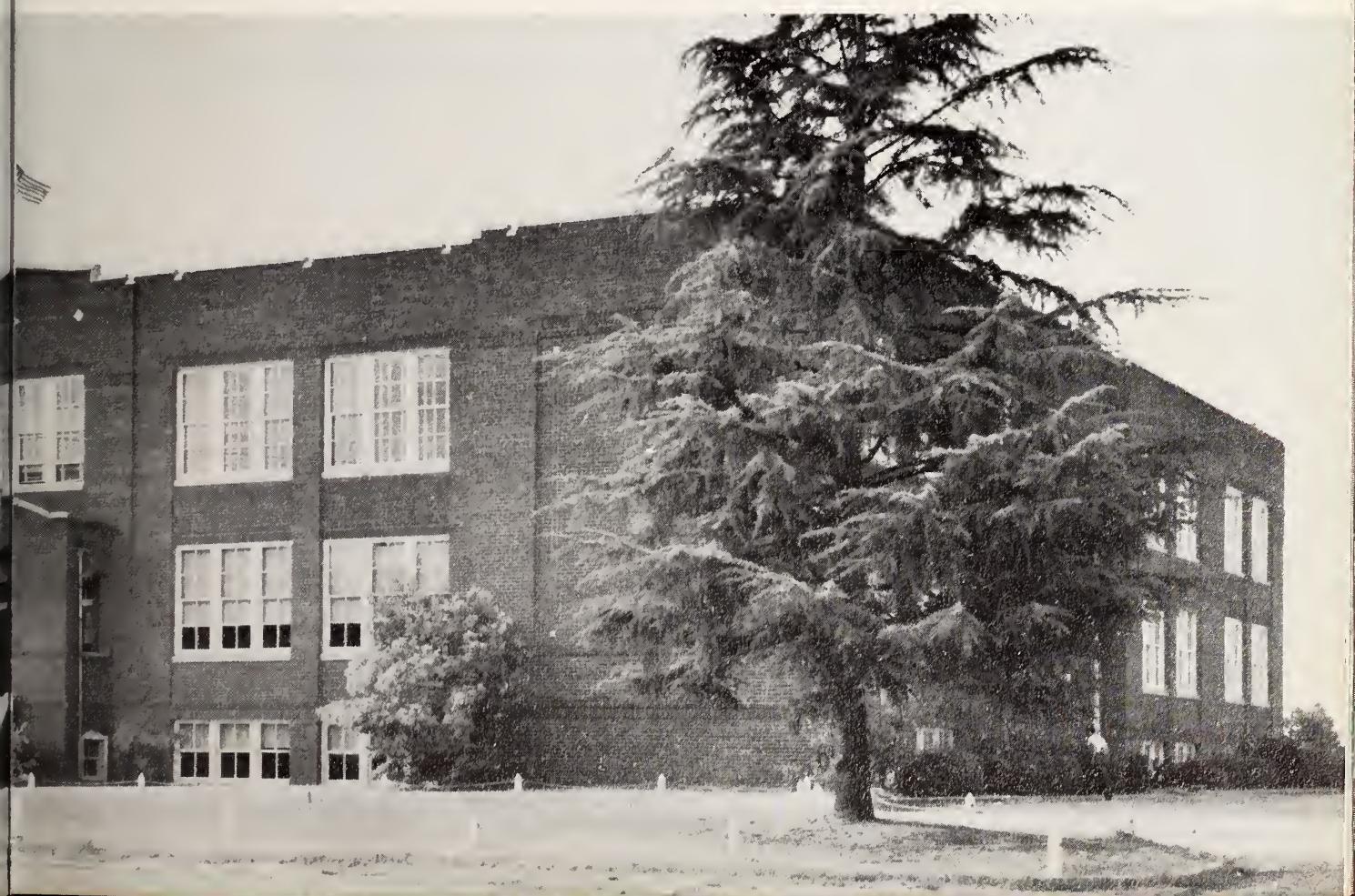
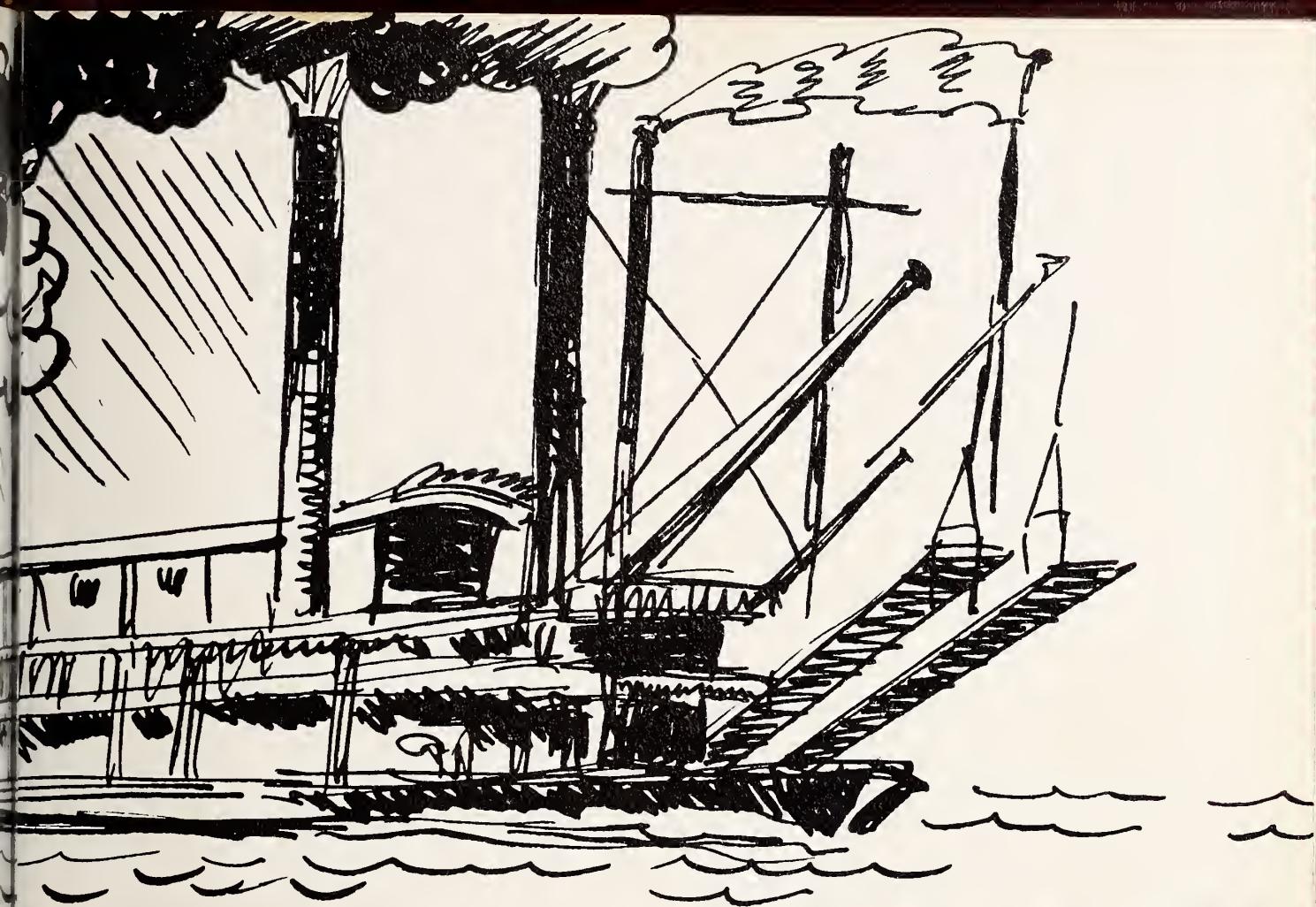
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Showboat Today

Featuring:
THE SENIORS
of 1955





In Memoriam



JOHN THOMAS HATCHER

1924 — 1954

He lived happily, worked joyously, and left us a comforting heritage of rich experience and friendship and work well done.

We will remember him not so much for any given word or act or accomplishment as for the total impact of his personality.

He was our friend. We loved him. He loved us.

In Memoriam



Our Classmate

ANNE FONVILLE BEASLEY

August 31, 1936

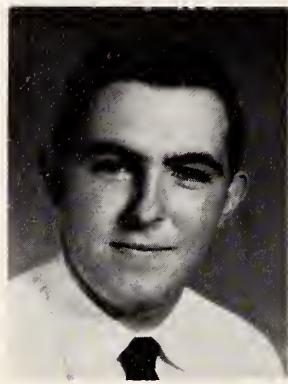
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"Whose life was an inspiration; whose memory is a benediction."

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We respectfully dedicate this volume of the ACORN to Miss Lenora Patterson as an expression of our admiration for the work she has done toward making all who have known her better citizens. Throughout her career she has been a wise counselor, a true friend, and an inspiration to all.

Stars of the Show



FROM THE DECK

The River stretches far
In front of me
Beyond the years
There lie treasures of hope
Of joys, dormant now
And unshed, unanticipated tears

Waters almost hidden
Quite overridden by greater waves,
Move lasting memories
From this deck I can see
The years behind . . . merging
Into each other like the
Gold and green of a sunset sea

Almost forgotten . . . that first day
Of high school. So proud were we
to be grown up at last.
And one by one those days slipped by
Classes . . . recess . . . home again
Shall those memories merge into the past?

Nor could I forget the familiar sound
The welcome sound of the bell
The glorious sound of the gong
And who shall win
The race of the lunchroom
The race of the hungry throng?

Forgotten . . . almost are those wintry
Cold and windy
When we were allowed
And eat our lunch inside
But the gayest time, the happiest place
Was school on carnival day.

There were joys immeasurable . . .
In our high school days
like the day we got our class ring
The long awaited day
. . . the things it stood for
the thrill it bring

All these memories hold a place in my heart
That no waters can wash away
no matter how far I may travel
on the river of time . . .
No matter what the future may hold
Nor time unravel

Sylvia Lassiter

CLASS MOTTO

Success comes not at your command, deserve it.



LARRY PARKER
President



BARBARA BARNES
Vice-President



GENEVIEVE LASSITER
Secretary



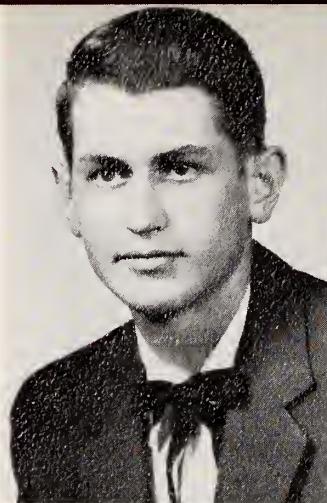
EDDIE JOHNSON
Treasurer

CLASS FLOWER
Pink Rose

CLASS COLORS
Pink and White

BILLY DAN ALLEN

Homeroom Ch. 2, 3
Monitor 3
Superlative 4



PATRICIA ALLEN

F. H. A. 1, 2
Monitor 1, 2, 4
Library Staff 4



ELLA ALLEN

Homeroom Sec. 1
4-H 1
Library Staff 2
Glee Club 1, 2, 3
F. H. A. 1, 2, 4
Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Stu. Coun. 4



JOE BAKER

F. F. A. 1, 2
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GLADYS ALLEN

Stu. Coun. 1
F. H. A. 1
Homeroom Ch. 2
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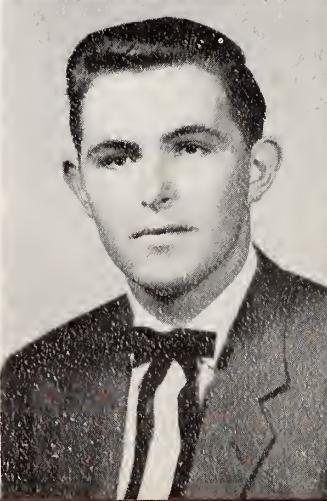
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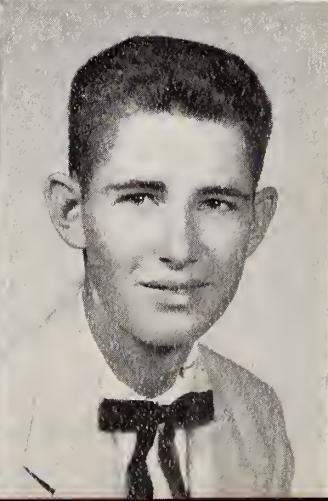
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Class Sec. 2
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Stu. Coun. 3, 4
F. T. A. 3, 4
F. T. A. Pres. 4
"Acorn" Staff 3, 4
Ch. Pt. System Com. 4
Superlative 4



JOE CARL BARBOUR

Monitor 4



KAY BARBOUR

F. H. A. 1, 2
Glee Club 1, 2
Library Staff 3
Monitor 4



CHARLIE BATTEN

Monitor 1, 2
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LAWRENCE BAREFOOT

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
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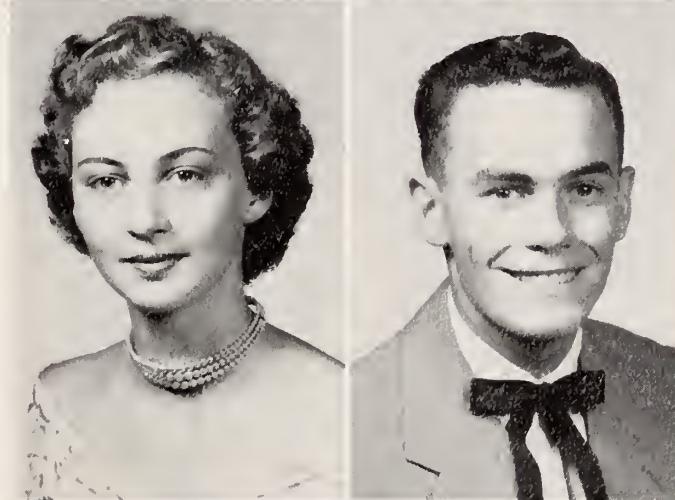


COOPER BEASLEY

F. F. A. 1, 2
Monitor 2
Stu. Coun. 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4

BARBARA BARNES

Closs Pres. 1
Stu. Coun. 1
Acorn Club 2
Holloween Queen 1, 3
Homeroom Ch. 2, 3
Junior Ploy
Morshal 3
N. H. S. 3, 4
N. H. S. Pres. 4
"Ook Leaf" Stoff 4
F. T. A. 3, 4
F. T. A. Sec. 3
F. T. A. Rep. 4
Superlative 4



ROBERT BEASLEY

F. F. A. 1, 2
Bus Driver 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4
"Oak Leaf" Stoff 4
"Acorn" Stoff 4
Superlative 4

BOBBY BASS

Library Stoff 2
Stu. Coun. 3
Junior Ploy
Homeroom Treas. 4
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4-H 1, 2, 3, 4
Superlative 4
Monitor 1, 2
Waiter 2



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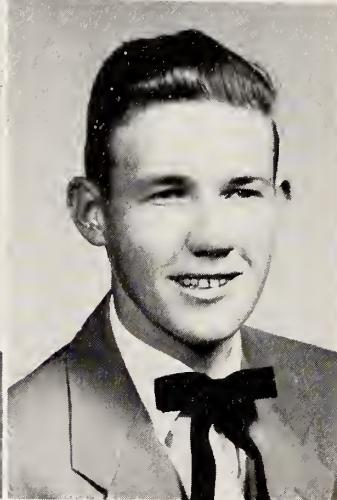
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CECIL COBB
Monitor 4



REBECCA CRITCHER
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Monitor 1, 2, 3
Acorn Club 2, 3
Junior Play 3
F. T. A. 3, 4
Theme Cam. Jr. Sr. 3
N. H. S. 4
"Acorn" Staff 4
Stu. Coun.
Superlative 4

EARL COBB
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Bus Dr. Club 3, 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4
Monitor 4



ROBERT FERRELL
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4

CORNELL COX
Traffic Cam. 1
Manitar 1, 2
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
F. F. A. Treas. 3
F. F. A. Pres. 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4
Bus Dr. Club 4
Bus. Dr. Pres. 4
Superlative 4



CURTIS HINES
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 2, 3, 4
Monogram Club 3, 4
Monitor 4

LINWOOD CREECH
4-H 1, 2
Acorn Club 2
Glee Club 1, 3
N. H. S. 3, 4
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4
Bus. Dr. Club 4



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F. H. A. 1
Glee Club 1, 2
"Acorn" Staff 2
Homeraam Sec. 2
Acorn Club 2
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4
Library Staff 3
Junior Play
F. T. A. 3, 4
N. H. S. 3, 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4
Vice Pres. Stu. Coun. 4
Monogram Club 4
Superlative 4

BETTY JANE JACKSON
Glee Club 4
Library Staff 4
Monitor 3, 4



RAYMOND JOHNSON
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4



EDDIE JOHNSON
Basketball 1
Class Vice-Pres. 2
Bus Dr. Club 3, 4
Bus. Dr. Club Treas. 3
Bus. Dr. Club Sec.-Treas. 4
Baseball 3, 4
Class Treas. 3, 4
Stu. Coun. 4
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4



ANN KEEN
Homeroom Treas. 2
Glee Club 3
Monitor 3, 4
Homeroom Sec. 4



LINWOOD JOHNSON
F. F. A. 1, 2
Monitor 2, 3
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Homeroom Treas. 3
Homeroom Ch. 3
Stu. Coun. 4
Bus. Dr. Club 4



MARY KEENE
F. H. A. 1
Library Staff 1, 2
Glee Club 1, 2
Junior Play
Stu. Coun. 3, 4
State Stu. Coun. Del. 3
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Monitor 2, 3
F. T. A. 3, 4
Cheerleader 3, 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4
"Acorn" Staff 4
Superlative 4

MABEL JOHNSON
F. H. A. 1
Monitor 3, 4
Homeroom Ch. 4



RUTH LANGDON
F. H. A. 2
Acorn Club 2
Waitress 2
Homeroom Sec. 1, 3, 4
Monitor 3, 4
Bus. Dr. Club 3, 4
Superlative 4



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Dec. Com. Jr. Sr. 3
Bus. Dr. Club 3, 4
F. F. A. 3, 4

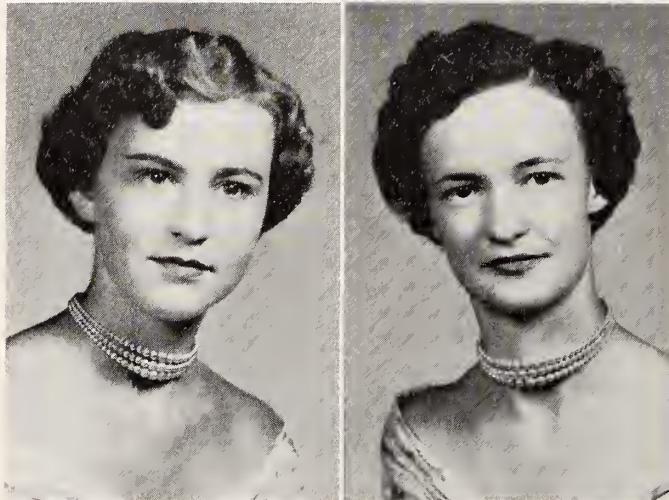


ALBERT LEE

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball 4
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
Monitor 4

GENEVIEVE LASSITER

Acorn Club 2
Library Staff 1, 2, 3, 4
Stu. Coun. 2, 3
F. H. A. 1, 2, 4
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Monogram Club 3, 4
Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4
"Acorn" Staff 3
N. H. S. 3, 4
Class Sec. 4
Superlative 4



FAY LEE

Monitor 1, 2, 3
F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4
Glee Club Librarian 4

JOE LASSITER

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Co-Capt. Basketball 4
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Capt. Baseball Team 4
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
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Class Pres. 3
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Waiter 2
Superlative 4

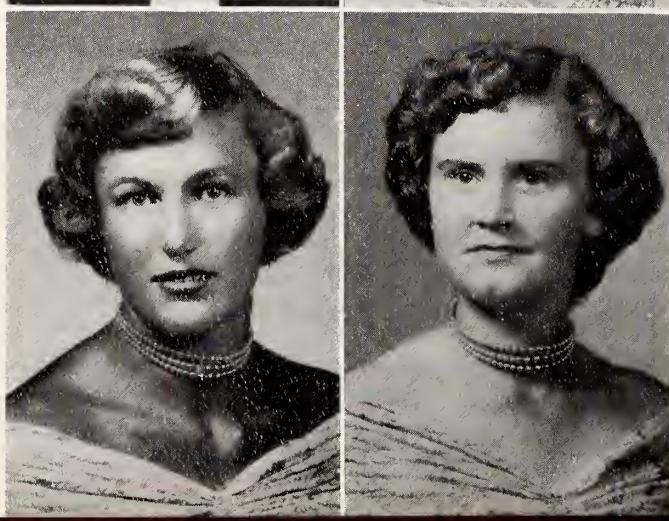


HELEN LEE

F. H. A. 1, 2, 4
Monitor 3, 4

SYLVIA LASSITER

Stu. Coun. 1, 4
Stu. Coun. Sec. 4
Acorn Club 2
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Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
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Junior Play
Homeroom Sec. 1, 2, 3
N. H. S. 3, 4
N. H. S. Sec. Tres. 4
F. T. A. 3, 4
F. T. A. Librarian 3
Superlative 4



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4-H 1, 2
Homeroom Sec. 2.
Monitor 2

CAROLYN MASSENGILL

Class Tres. 1
Homeroom Ch. 2
Glee Club 1, 3
Acorn Club 2, 3
Class Vice Pres. 3
Library Staff 3
Junior Play
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"Acorn" Staff 3, 4
Co-Editor "Acorn" 4
N. H. S. 4
Ch. Elections Com. 4
Bus Drivers Club 4
Superlative 4



ANNIE MOZINGO

Monitor 4

HAROLD MAYO

Monitor 1, 3
Marshal 3
Junior Play
"Acorn" Staff 3
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4



JEAN PARKER

Stu. Coun. 1
Glee Club 1
F. H. A. 1; 2
Waitress 2
Homeroom Sec. 2, 3
Dec. Com. Jr. Sr. 3
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F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4

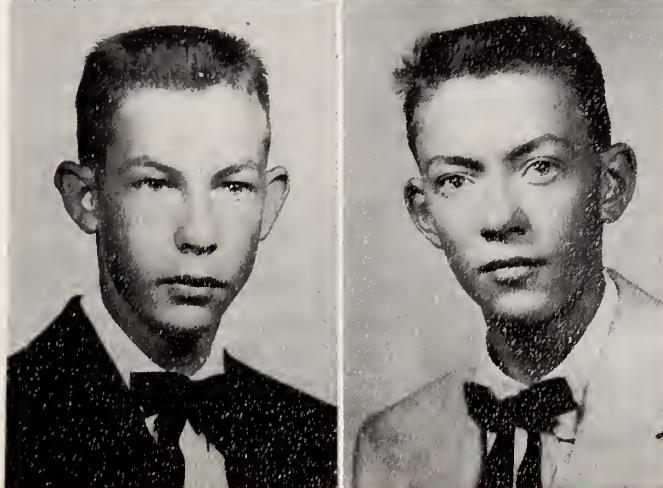


LARRY PARKER

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3
Homeroom Ch. 3
Class Pres. 4
Stu. Coun. 4
Monitor 4
Superlative 4

RAEFORD MOORE

Monitor 3
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4



JERRY REVELS

F. F. A. 1, 2, 3
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4
Bus. Dr. Club 4
Bus. Dr. Rep. 4

JO ANN SNEAD

Class Vice-Pres. 1
Acorn Club 2
Glee Club 1, 3
Glee Club Pianist 3
Homeroom Ch. 2
Junior Play
Class Sec. 3
Marshal 3
Library Staff 2, 3
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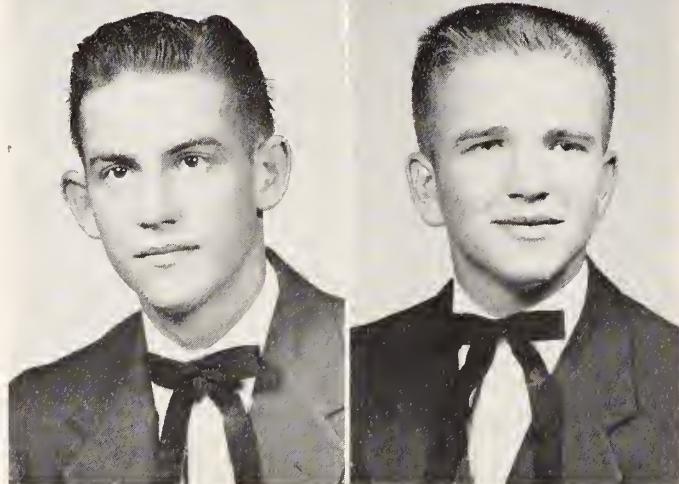


SHIRLEY THOMPSON

Glee Club 1
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Monitor 1, 2, 3, 4
Food Com. Jr. Sr. 3
Junior Play
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Acorn Club 3, 4
Library Staff 3, 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4

BOBBY STANLEY

Class Sec. 1
Class Pres. 2
Chief Marshal 3
"Acorn" Staff 3
F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4
F. F. A. Vice-Pres. 4
"Oak Leaf" Staff 4
Acorn Club 2, 3, 4
Baseball 3
Monogram Club 4
Bus. Dr. Club 2, 3, 4
Stu. Coun. Pres. 4
Superlative 4



GLENN UPCHURCH

Stu. Coun. 1
4-H 1
"Acorn" Staff 2
Library Staff 2
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4
Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
Bus. Dr. Club 4
Bus. Dr. V-Pres. 4
Superlative 4

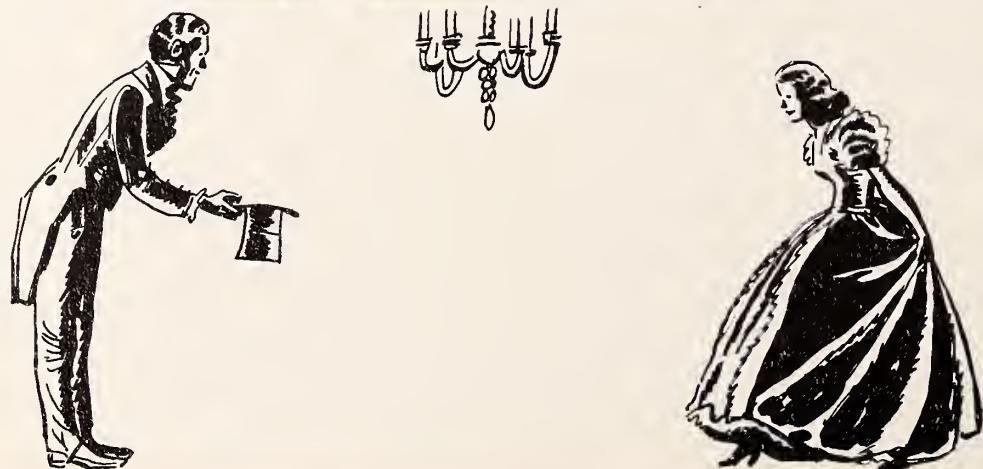
DAVID STRICKLAND

Waiter 2
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Monogram Club 2, 3, 4
Monogram Club Vice-Pres. 3
Junior Play 3
Monitor 4
Superlative 4



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Glee Club 1
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Traffic Com. Ch. 3, 4
Stu. Coun. 3, 4
"Acorn" Staff 3, 4
"Acorn" Co-editor 4
Superlative 4



Riff Raff

The Senior Class of '55 has finally come ta face
The fact that other students will rise to take their place.
And, so we won't be fargatten, and our memory will live
We leave you all our riches, ta you our treasures give.

- Item I: Ta the Principal and Faculty Members — restful nights, peaceful days.
- Item II: To the Juniors — our front seats in the auditorium.
- Item III: To the Sophomores — the few traces of meekness and humility that we have left.
- Item IV: Ta the Freshmen — the indescribable joy af giggling at nathing.
- Item V: I, Ella Allen, do bequeath my ability to catch a man ta Lois Johnson.
- Item VI: I, Gladys Allen, leave my quality af being seen and not heard to Myrtle Jahnsan.
- Item VII: I, Llloyd Allen, leave my bashfulness and blushing complexion to Terry Brown.
- Item VIII: I, Billy D. Allen, bequeath my spat at the corner with a girl ta Gene Stephensan.
- Item IX: I, Patricia Allen, bequeath my warm, friendly ways ta Betsy Ruth Lee.
- Item X: I, Jae Baker, leave my ability ta sing "You Better Not Do That" to just anyone.
- Item XI: I, Charlotte Barbour, leave my quiet dispasition ta Jane Ingram.
- Item XII: I, Joe Carl Barbour, leave, hoping never ta return.
- Item XIII: I, Kay Barbour, leave my ability ta get along with the teachers to Laura Stanley.
- Item XIV: I, Lawrence Barefact, leave to make a million dollars.
- Item XV: I, Barbara Barnes, bequeath my sophisticated manner to Margie Fairclath.
- Item XVI: I, Bobby Bass, bequeath my position on the corner up town to Jahnnie Adams.
- Item XVII: I, Charlie Batten, sarrawfully give my whiskey still to James Grant.
- Item XVIII: I, Caoper Beasley, gallantly bequeath my flair for writing to Kelly Lee.
- Item XIX: I, Robert Beasley, leave my southern drawl to Marlene Keen hoping she'll use it.
- Item XX: I, Billy Blackmon, just leave.
- Item XXI: I, Cecil Cabb, bequeath my happy-go-lucky way ta T. W. Lee.
- Item XXII: I, Earl Cabb, gladly bequeath "Old Faithful" to Hurley Landgan.
- Item XXIII: I, Cornell Cox, leave my knowledge of Parliamentary Procedure to Joe Creech.
- Item XXIV: I, Linwood Creech, leave my ability to dance smoothly to Eldridge Penny.
- Item XXV: I, Rebecca Critcher, will my ability to ring wedding bells to Geraldine Strickland.
- Item XXVI: I, Rabert Ferrell, leave my "carrat tap" ta Thamas Blackman.
- Item XXVII: I, Curtis Hines, leave my ability 'to keep things stirred up to Jerry Wood.
- Item XXVIII: I, La Verne Ingram, leave my way with the men to Toni Brock.

- Item XXIX: I, Betty Jane Jacksan, bequeath my ability ta write letters to Sandra Allen.
- Item XXX: I, Eddie Jahnsan, leave my gaad laaks ta Danald McLamb.
- Item XXXI: I, Linwood Jahnsan, bequeath my lave far gaing to Frank Lee.
- Item XXXII: I, Mabel Johnson, bequeath my lave far baakkeeping ta Janice Allen.
- Item XXXIII: I, Raymand Jahnsan, leave my daring "pink" shirt ta any sharp Junior.
- Item XXXIV: I, Ann Keene, leave my lave far Fards ta Elizabeth Norris.
- Item XXXV: I, Mary Keene, leave my big mauth and the ability to keep it going to Ruth Beasley.
- Item XXXVI: I, Ruth Langdon, bequeath my ability ta write sharthand ta Betty Bayd.
- Item XXXVII: I, Thel Langdan, leave my muscles to Jimmy Jones.
- Item XXXVIII: I, Genevieve Lassiter, will my beautiful eyes to Peggy Lee.
- Item XXXIX: I, Joe Lassiter, leave my whiskers ta Johnnie Jayce.
- Item XL: I, Sylvia Lassiter, bequeath my ability to drive to Gwen Dadd.
- Item XLI: I, Albert Lee, bequeath my lave far baseball practice ta all the Junior boys.
- Item XLII: I, Faye Lee, leave my lave for AC ta any Juniar girl who has a boy friend at AC.
- Item XLIII: I, Helen Lee, bequeath my ability ta type ta Caralyn Maare.
- Item XLIV: I, Veatrice Lee, leave my strawberry "bland" hair ta Janice Langdan.
- Item XLV: I, Carolyn Massengill, leave my ability ta get aut af class ta same lucky Junior.
- Item XLVI: I, Harold Mayo, bequeath my "intimate" ways with the wamen ta the Freshman Class far research.
- Item XLVII: I, Fondzo Maare, bequeath my rhythmic walk ta Effie Pearl Massengill.
- Item XLVIII: I, Raeford Maare, leave my dear ald Chrysler to anyane wha wants it.
- Item XLIX: I, Annie Mozingo, leave my lave for reading ta Gilbert Price.
- Item L: I, Jean Parker, leave my "dreamy eyes" to any Langdon lover.
- Item LI: I, Larry Parker, will my ability ta remain "caol and calm" to Bruce Blackman.
- Item LII: I, Jerry Revels, will my place as the meanest bay in the Seniar Class ta Larry Barbaur.
- Item LIII: I, Jo Ann Snead, will my ability ta "paddle my awn canae" ta Doris Jean Narris.
- Item LIV: I, Babby Stanley, will my positian as president af Student Cauncil to same Junior.
- Item LV: I, David Strickland, bequeath my ability to say "na" ta the girls to Glenn Smith.
- Item LVI: I, Shirley Thompson, leave ta get my MRS. degree.
- Item LVII: I, Glenn Upchurch, will my angelic laak to Larry Williams.
- Item LVIII: I, Janice Wilsan, will my lang hair ta Pat Keene and Annette Bass.
I have enaugh far bath af them.

Witnesses:

MRS. E. M. ALLEN
RUTH LANGDON

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LA VERNE INGRAM
MARY KEENE



"I'M SITTING ON TOP OF THE WORLD"



BEST ALL-ROUND

LLOYD ALLEN

JANICE WILSON

"I DREAMED I DWELLED IN MARBLE HALLS"

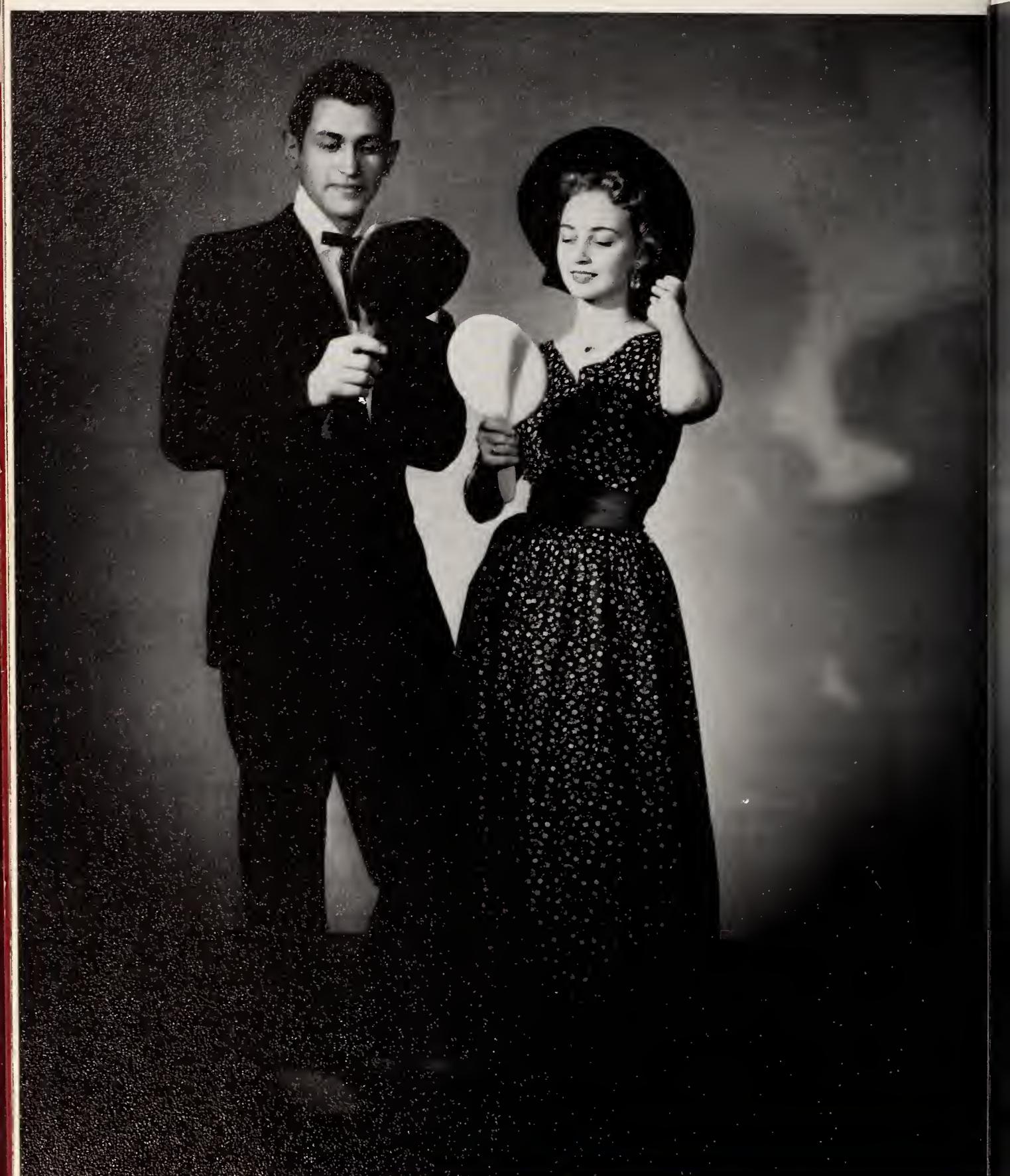


MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

BOBBY STANLEY

CAROLYN MASSENGILL

"OH, YOU BEAUTIFUL DOLL"



BEST LOOKING

BILLY DAN ALLEN

BARBARA BARNES

"SINGIN' IN THE RAIN"



BEST SPORT

JO ANN SNEAD

LARRY PARKER

"JUST TELL THEM THAT YOU SAW ME"



MOST POPULAR

GLENN UPCHURCH

GENEVIEVE LASSITER

"ALICE BLUE GOWN"



BEST DRESSED

REBECCA CRITCHER

CORNELL COX

"NO! NO! A THOUSAND TIMES NO!"



WITTIEST

ROBERT BEASLEY

MARY KEENE

"WHILE STROLLING THRU THE PARK ONE DAY"



BIGGEST FLIRT

LA VERNE INGRAM

DAVID STRICKLAND

"HELLO! MA BABY"



FRIENDLIEST

BOBBY BASS

RUTH LANGDON

"TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME"



MOST ATHLETIC

SYLVIA LASSITER

JOE LASSITER

Backstage Life

	NAME	WORST FAULT	FAVORITE EXPRESSION
I	Billy Dan Allen	Delaying the school buses	"Shucks"
II	Ella Poole Allen	Being skinny	"Know ya shorthand?"
III	Gladys Faye Allen	Stuttering	"I don't know"
IV	Jay Lloyd Allen	Being scared before an audience	"Younguns"
V	Patricia Ann Allen	Her mouth	"Goodness"
VI	Joseph Kelly Baker	Says he has none	"Honey, hush!"
VII	Charlotte Jean Barbour	Not studying	"Watch it!"
VIII	Joe Carl Barbour	Going to late shows	"Oh, yeah!"
IX	Kay Frances Barbour	Going steady	"Maybe"
X	Lawrence Gray Barefoot	Being bashful	"Huh?"
XI	Barbara Dail Barnes	Being brutally frank	"I ain't never"
XII	Bobby Ray Bass	Blushing	"I can't, I'm too bashful"
XIII	Charlie Percell Batten	Skipping school	"Honey, hush!"
XIV	Cooper Bryant Beasley	He's perfect	"I'zat right?"
XV	Jasper Robert Beasley	His mouth	"I ain't jest a birdin'"
XVI	Billy Blackmon	Laughing in class	"You had better not do that"
XVII	Richard Cecil Cobb	Laziness	"Yeh"
XVIII	David Earl Cobb	Forgetfulness	"Boys, let me tell you"
XIX	Cornell Woodall Cox	Not thinking	"Shucks"
XX	Marion Linwood Creech	Not paying attention in class	"Shoot"
XXI	Rebecca Anne Clifton	Carelessness	"Oh, shoot"
XXII	Robert Lee Ferrell	Spending his money	"Giggles"
XXIII	Curtis Cadle Hines	Being so stingy	"Honey, hush!"
XXIV	Betty Jane Ingram	School lessons	"I ain't never"
XXV	Peggy La Verne Ingram	Sneezing real loud	"Catfuzz"
XXVI	Eddie Ray Johnson	Being bashful	"It don't make no difference"
XXVII	Linwood Gray Johnson	Studying one thing and forgetting what's important	"Who wants to know?"
XXVIII	Mabel Grey Johnson	Talking	"I can't read this shorthand"
XXIX	Raymond Johnson	Sleeping in class	"Hey there"
XXX	Betty Ann Keen	Wasting time	"I've got a hankering"
XXXI	Mary Maynard Keene	Talking about State College	"You just don't know"
XXXII	Ruth Mae Langdon	Worrying	"I ain't"
XXXIII	Thel Howard Langdon	Worrying	"Catfuzz"
XXXIV	Genevieve Lassiter	Blushing	"I declare"
XXXV	Joseph Ralph Lassiter	Doesn't talk enough	"Say hey, I use Gillette"
XXXVI	Sylvia Faye Lassiter	Worrying about her weight	"Whom?"
XXXVII	Albert Glenn Lee	Getting into trouble	"Aw, shucks!"
XXXVIII	Nancy Fay Lee	Chewing Spearmint gum in class	"Oh, my gosh!"
XXXIX	Helen Jean Lee	Not studying	"I don't know"
XL	Veatrice Faye Lee	Not studying enough	"Gee whiz"
XLI	Carolyn Rose Massengill	Never getting anywhere on time	"Oh darn it"
XLII	Harold Edward Mayo	Pestering	"Huh?"
XLIII	Fondzo Moore	Skipping school	"Honey, hush!"
XLIV	Hilbern Raeford Moore	Short hair	"Oh, yeah!"
XLV	Annie Elizabeth Mozingo	Being bashful	"I don't know"
XLVI	Eulah Jean Parker	Worrying	"Why?"
XLVII	Larry Eugene Parker	Mindreading	"Oh, Brother!"
XLVIII	Jerry Harold Revels	Looking at new Fords	"Heck"
XLIX	Jo Ann Snead	Procrastination	"Nuts"
L	Bobby Gene Stanley	Not making up his mind	"That's about right"
LI	David Earl Strickland	Being sarcastic	"Honey"
LII	Shirley Lee Thompson	Never getting in a hurry	"I declare"
LIII	Glenn Lee Upchurch	There's not enough of him	"I be dog if I know"
LIV	Janice Louise Wilson	Pulling at her hair	"Have fun"

Backstage Life

FAVORITE PASTIME	REASON FOR COMING TO SCHOOL	AMBITION
Getting water 3rd period	His pa makes him	Join the Air Force
Daydreaming	To graduate	To succeed
Reading	Doesn't know	Airline hostess
Having a good time	To get educated	To go to Mars and get stars in eyes
Reading	To get an education	Registered nurse
Moonlight dates	Just because	Join the Air Force
Daydreaming	To graduate	Secretary
Going to Walkertown	Keep from staying at home	To be a pilot
Working	To get an education	To be a housewife
Eating	Keep from working	Army
Reading	Force of habit	To succeed
Talking	Nothing else to do	To be rich and happy
Preaching	To get some book "Larnin"	To be a millionaire
Sleeping	To get out of work	Editor of New York Times
Talking	To worry teachers	To be a pilot
Drinking Dr. Peppers	To graduate	Helldriver
Sleeping	To get some book learning	President of U. S.
Going to Benson	He wants to finish	To work in an office
It isn't women	Achieve the unknown	Be a good farmer
Sleeping in class	To graduate	To pass English
Reading	To graduate	Be a successful housewife
Going to the show	Nowhere else to go	Make plenty of money
Sleeping	To get out of work	To be a miser
Dreaming	Education	Housewife
Getting into meanness	Can't hang 'round home	Don't got none
Playing ball	Make eyes at girls	Future looks dim
Repairing odds and ends	It's a habit	Move far away and settle down
Sleeping	Get an education	Be an old maid
Playing poker	Look at pretty girls	A retired bootlegger
Church	Get an education	To be happy
Blabbing to Edward	Because of recess	Look like Marilyn Monroe
Checking on her man	Get an education	To graduate
Studying people	To learn	To be a success in life
Daydreaming	To have a good time	Beautician
Athletics	To get out of work	To graduate
Hearing "Our Best To You"	Find out how dumb she is	Go to Paris
Playing baseball	Keep from staying home	To be a lieutenant in Air Force
Daydreaming	Advance her education	To catch a man
Resting	To graduate	To live and do well
Sleeping	To graduate	To be a typist
Reading	Just likes to	Be the president's private nurse
Sleeping	For fun	To be a millionaire
Playing poker	Keep from working	To finish school
New Mercurys	To get out of work	To graduate
Reading	Doesn't know	To graduate
Reading	To learn	To graduate
Thinking	Learn to speak French	Be a psychiatrist
Loafing	Get out of work	Invent a money-making machine
Daydreaming	She likes to learn	Find my place in life
Going to see "Possum"	Get a foundation for State	Finish State and settle down
Talking to girls	Get his sheepskin	Go on a honeymoon with girls
Writing letters	To learn	Get married and live happily
He's too lazy to have one	Law makes him	Finish this high school
Going!	To see everybody	To survive Meredith

BIT PARTS



MASCOTS

PHYLLIS JOHNSON

LARRY REVELS

What's Coming 'Round That Bend?

One evening I was sitting in my apartment feeling all alone and sorry for myself. Very unexpectedly the bell rang. "Oh, how nice," I thought, "someone to talk to." You can imagine how delightfully surprised I was to see Jo Ann Snead, my oldest and dearest friend.

After talking a while I discovered she was in town to attend a newspapermen's convention. I also found that she was editor of her own newspaper and that Cooper Beasley and Earl Cobb were giving her a great deal of assistance as assistant editor and business manager.

On reading the paper she had brought I found that several of my former classmates had come into the news.

As I continued to scan the paper, I saw an interesting picture. In the foreground of the picture I saw Bobby Bass and Cornell Cox, outstanding personalities in the business world, who were leaving for a luxurious vacation in Hawaii. In the background I saw Jerry Revels, the pilot and Gladys Allen, the stewardess.

An article which was very noticeable was headlined as follows: "Cashier in City Bank to be Tried for Embezzlement." Those concerned in the case were: Robert Ferrell, the certified accountant who found the evidence in the bank's books, Joe Carl Barbour and Linwood Johnson, detectives from the Batten and Hines Detective Agency, headed by Charlie Batten and Curtis Hines.

The names went on to this effect; lawyer for the accused; David Earl Strickland, witnesses Mabel Johnson, Faye Lee, and Helen Lee, who work in the bank. I know you will be interested in knowing that the judge, Billy Dan Allen, was lenient with the accused.

Another article which caught my eye told me that Robert Beasley is now a test pilot for Glenn Upchurch's aircraft plant.

Leaving the front page I saw that Carolyn Massengill was receiving recognition as the outstanding nurse of the year. How proud I was to know her.

Reading the advertisements I learned that Raeford Moore is operating a used-car lot; Harold Mayo is running for state senator; Fondzo Moore is operating a funeral parlor; and Genevieve Lassiter, with the aid of Ella Allen, has recently opened her beauty salon.

As all newspapers do, this one, too, had a sports section. This page informed me that Joe Lassiter is a successful basketball coach and Albert Lee is a big hit in the national league. After I had finished with the newspaper, Jo told me of a recent trip to New York during which time she saw several of our old friends. Among those she saw were: Patricia Allen, a medical missionary to China and Joe Baker and Raymond Johnson who are driving for a thriving taxi company. On a trip out to the airport she found Charlotte Barbour behind the information desk. She also found Lloyd Allen in the weather office of the airport, and he told her of his recent trip back to Four Oaks. He assured me that there were still some of the girls back home "keeping the home fires burning". Sylvia Lassiter fulfilled a longing and is ably coaching a top-notch girls' basketball team and teaching physical education. To mention a few of

the "old married girls", there are Rebecca Critcher, Kay Barbour, Veatrice Lee, Shirley Thampsan and Betty Jane Jackson. It seems also that Ann Keene and Annie Mazinga are being kept busy managing their day nurseries. Jean Parker and Thel Langdan, now happily married, are being kept busy, too—caring for all those chickens. Lloyd really knew the town news.

Realizing, after all that reminiscing, that we were hungry, we decided to go down town to a restaurant about which we had heard a great deal. As we stepped inside the door, we were met by the congenial hostess, Ruth Langdan and several waiters, who were none other than Lawrence Barefoot, Billy Blackman, Cecil Cobb, and Linwood Creech. We found a table and had begun to peruse over a menu when I heard a vaguely familiar "noise". It was Janice Wilson, Mary Keene and La Verne Ingram. It seems that Mary and Janice were in town visiting La Verne while their husbands were on the west coast on business. We had to repeat the news about all our classmates. In doing so, I happened to think of three boys who hadn't been mentioned. Upon asking about Bobby Stanley, Larry Parker, and Eddie Ray Johnson, I learned the following: Larry is teaching at the university and Bobby and Eddie have built up a nice medical practice in Fair Oaks.

It was getting dreadfully late by then; so we ended the review of the Class of 1955, and we went our separate ways after saying—"Let's not wait this long to get together again."

Barbara Barnes
Fashion Illustrator

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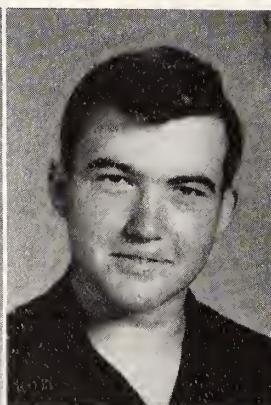
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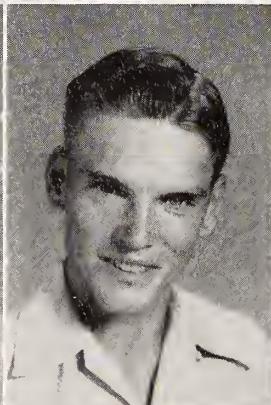
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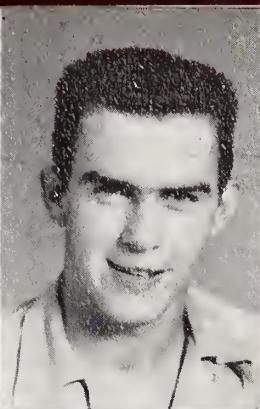
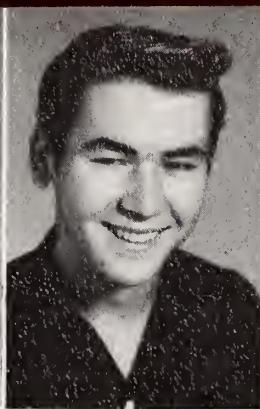
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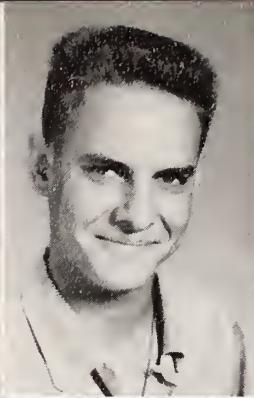


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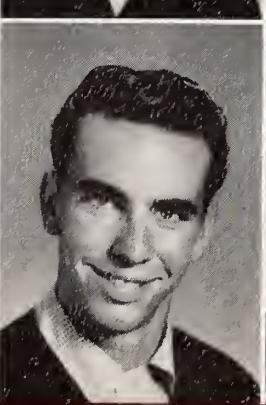
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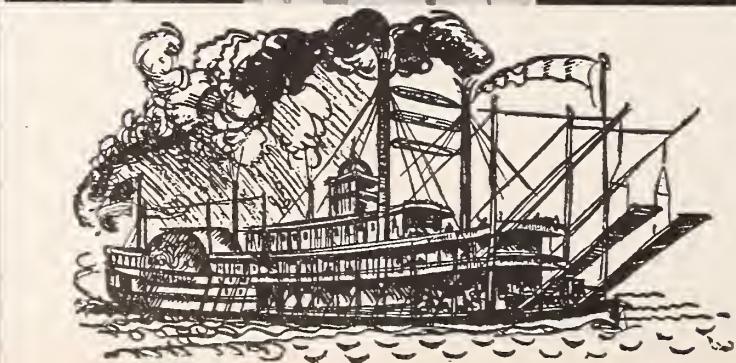
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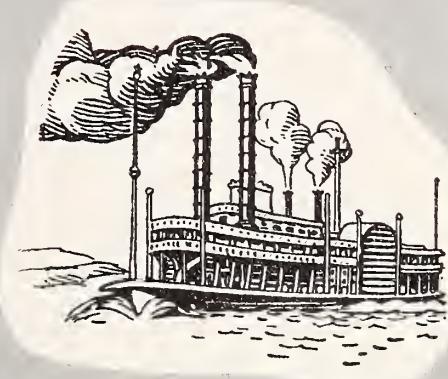
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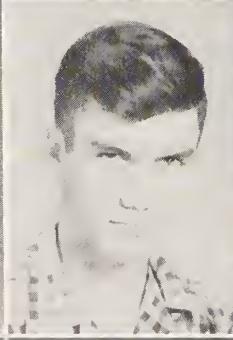
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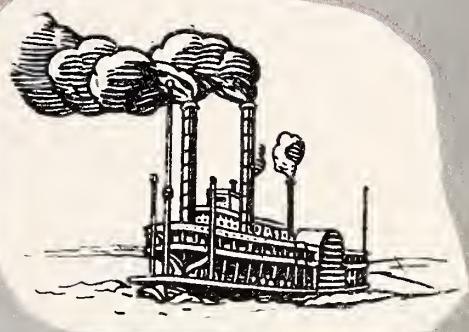
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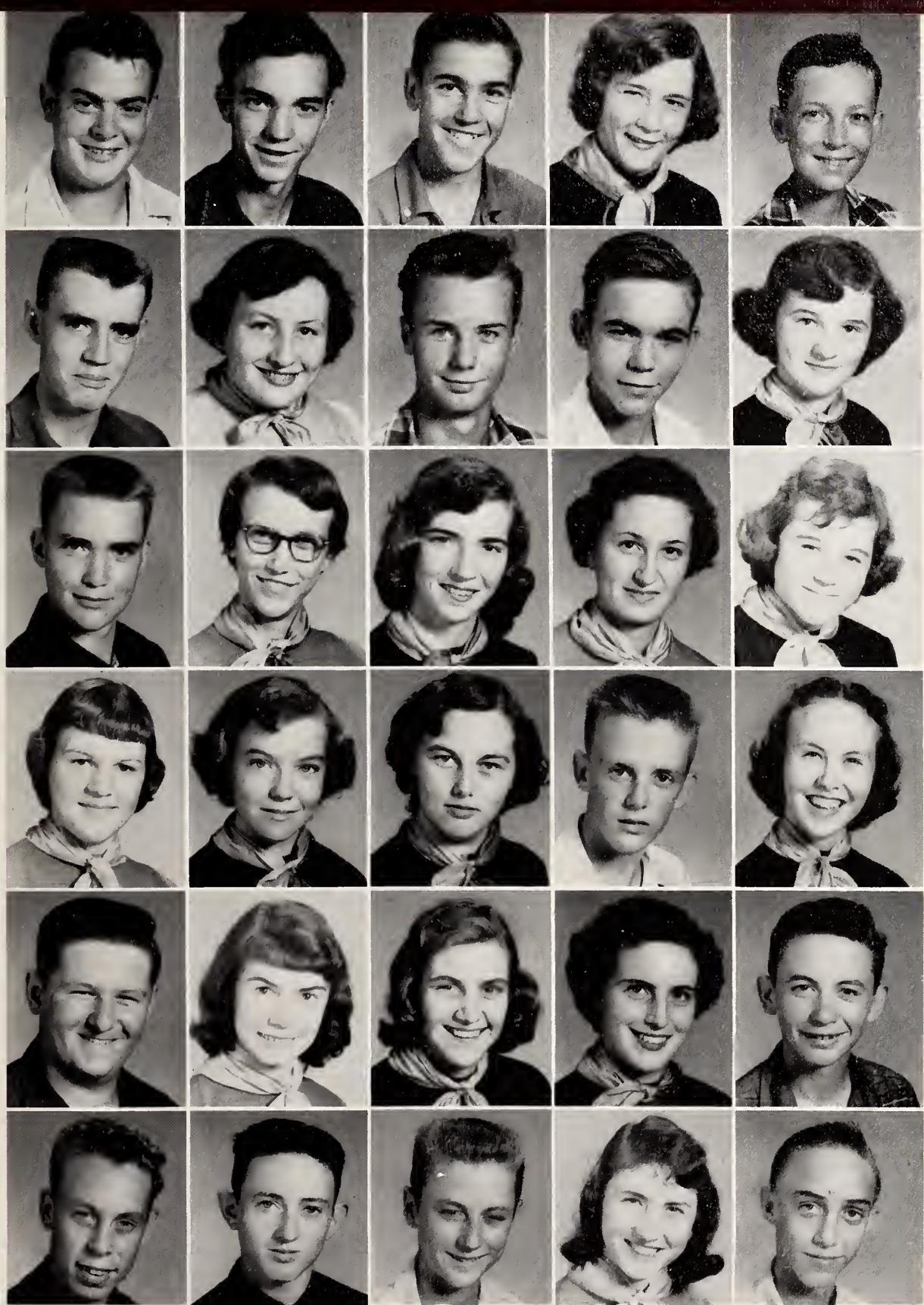
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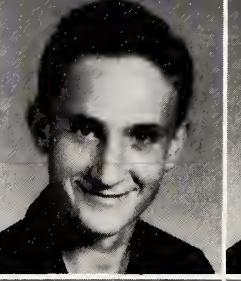
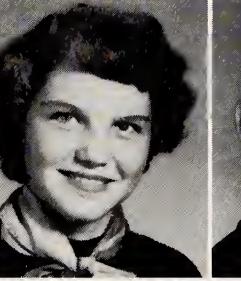
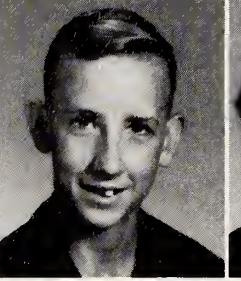
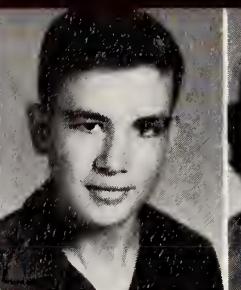
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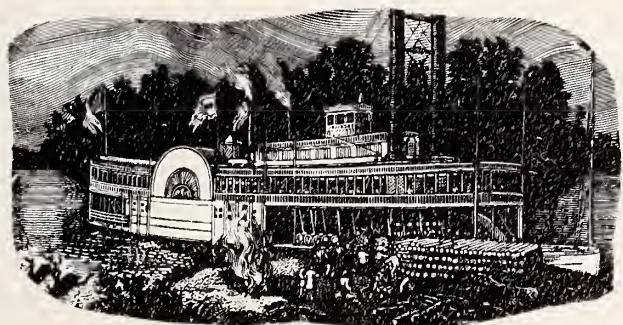
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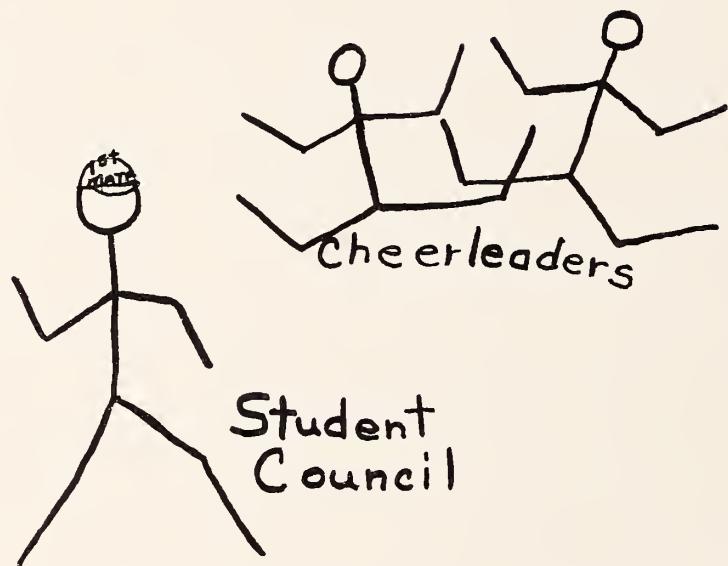
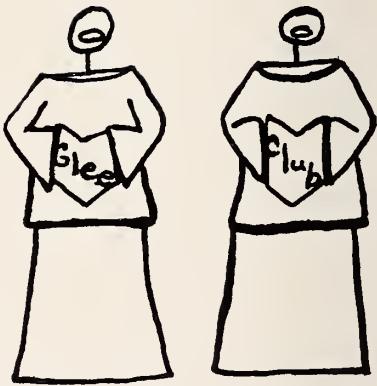
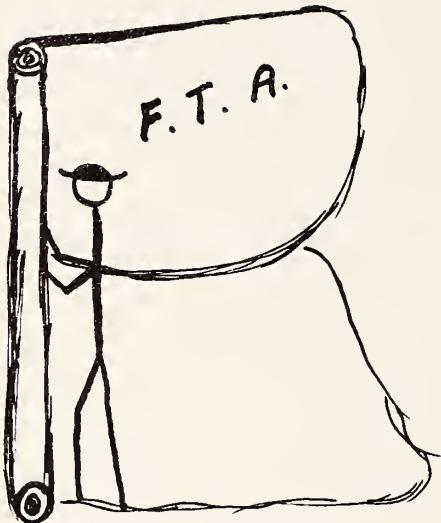
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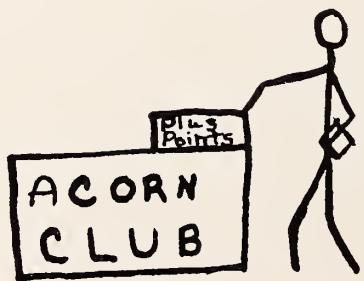
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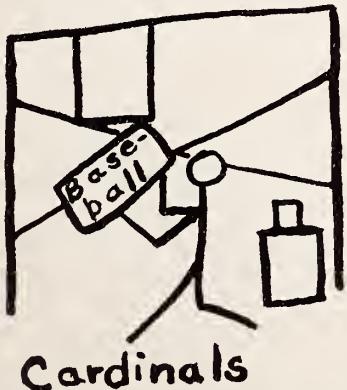
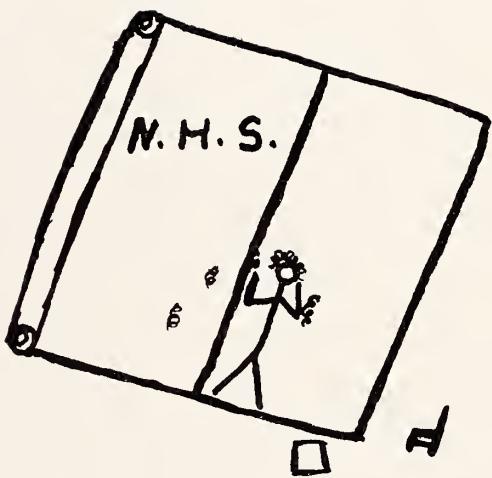
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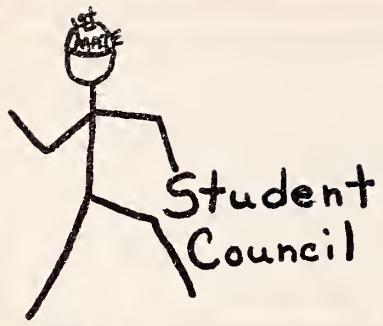


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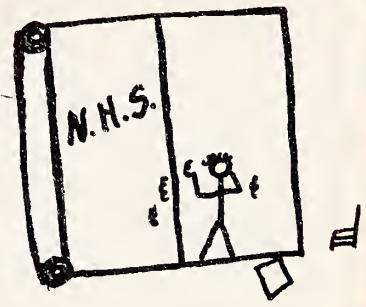
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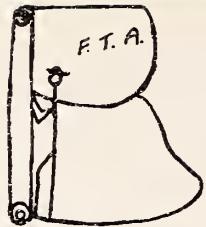
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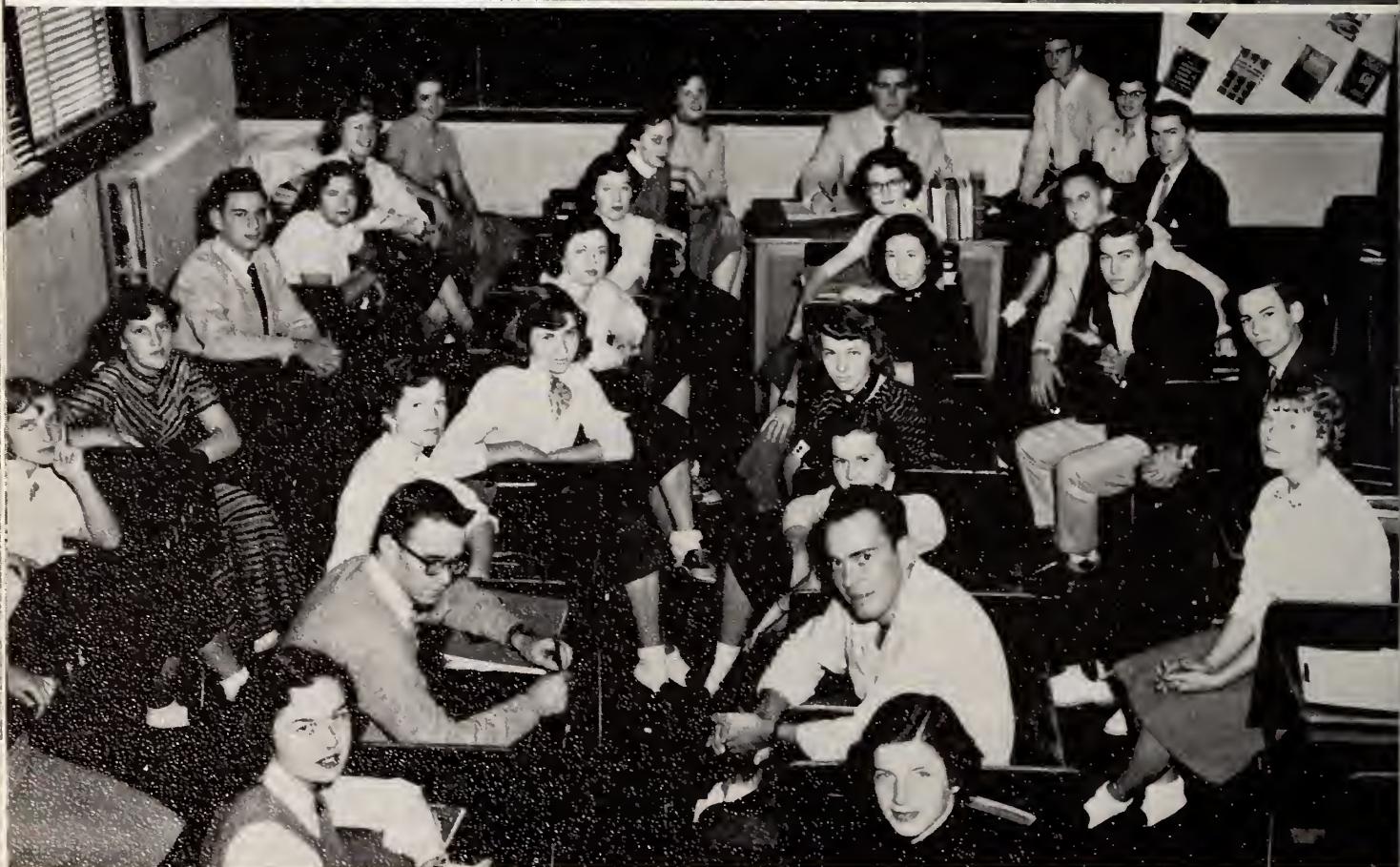
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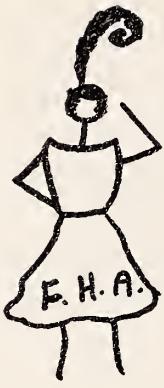
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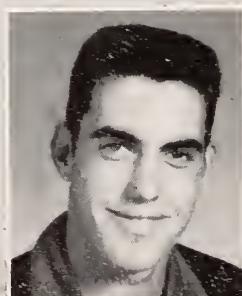
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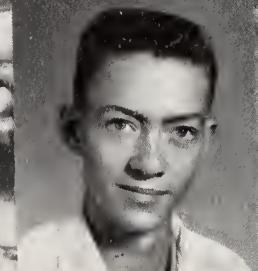
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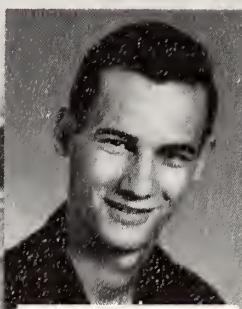
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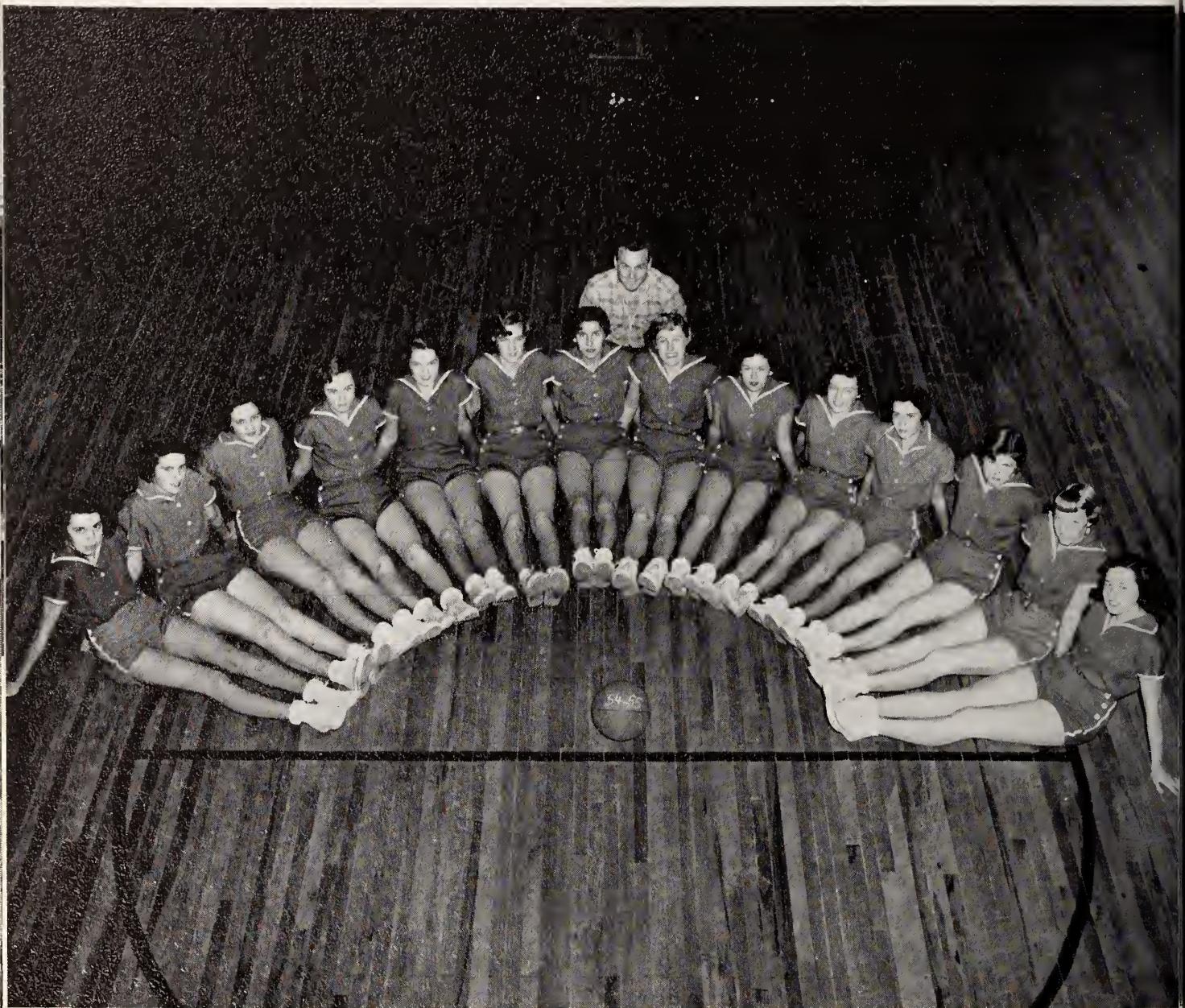
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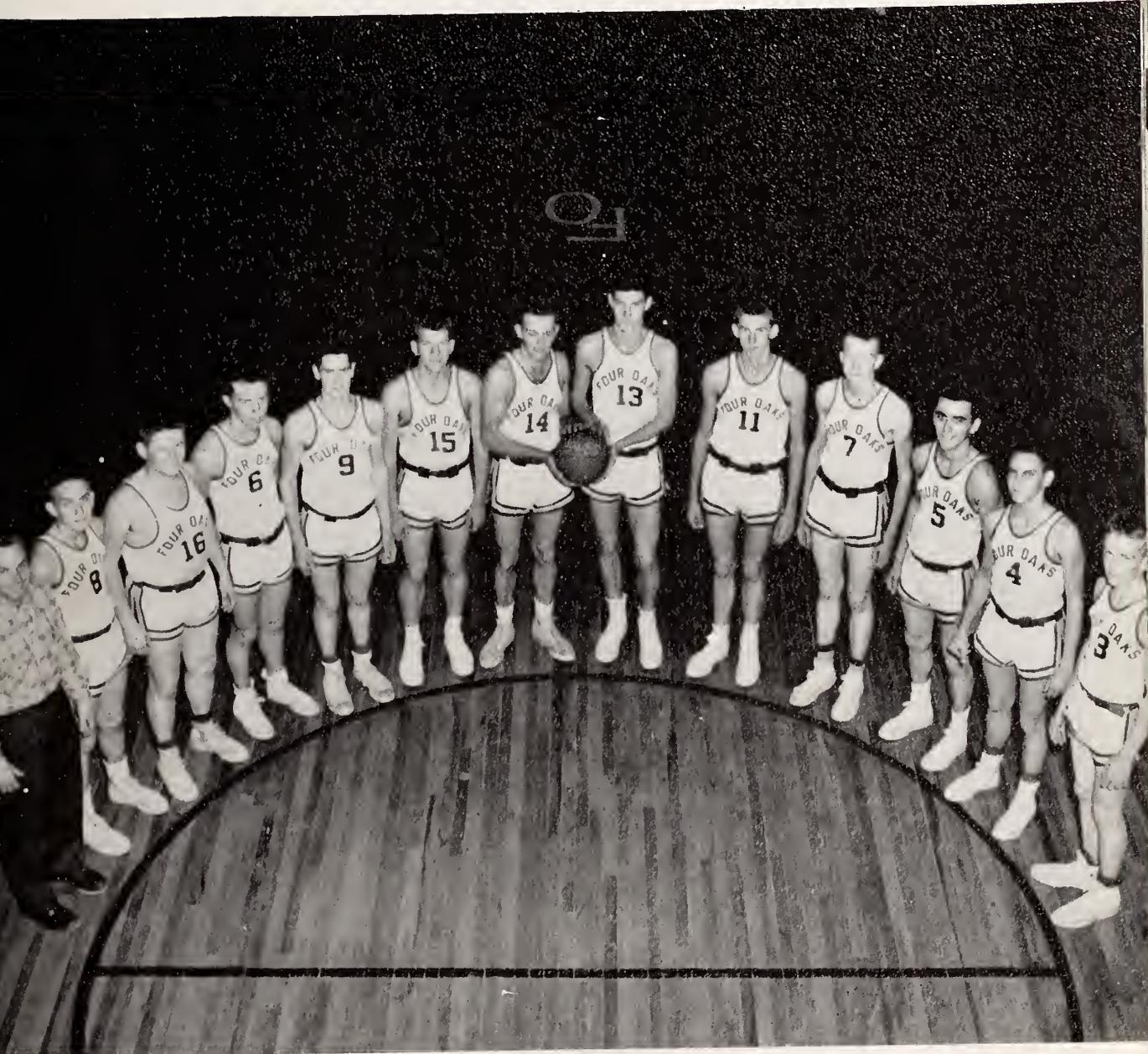


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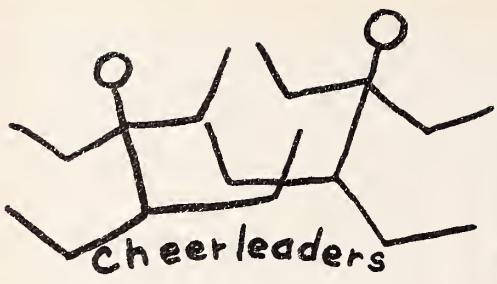


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The Curious



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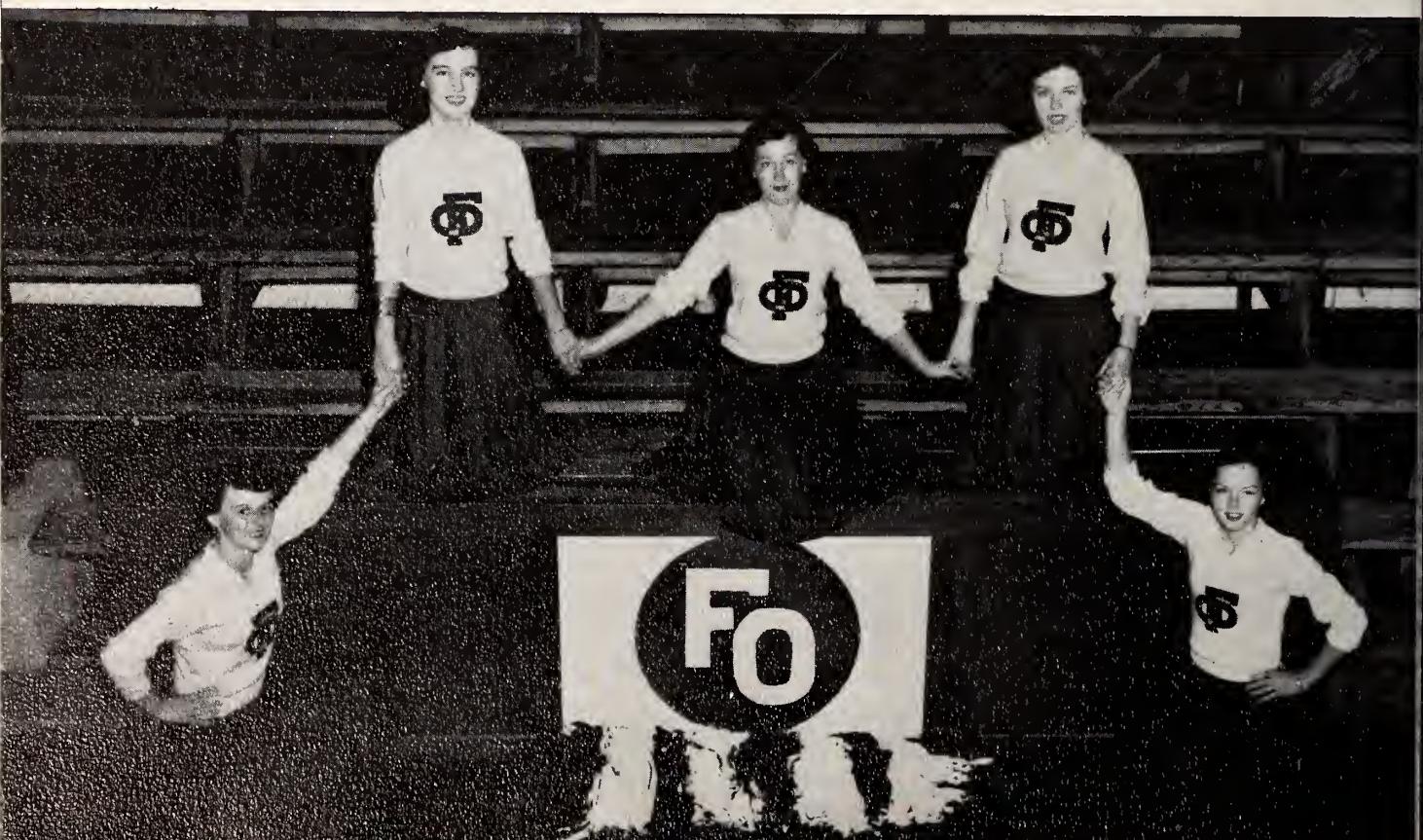
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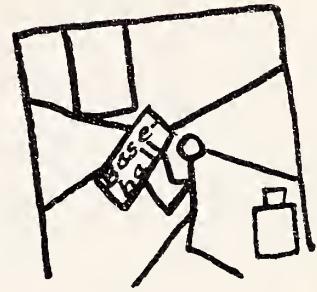
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Graduation

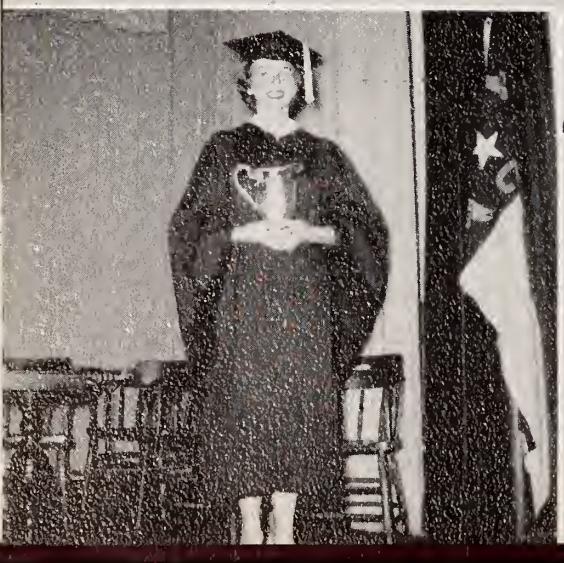
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Jo Linda Moore



Second Highest Average
Anne Beasley



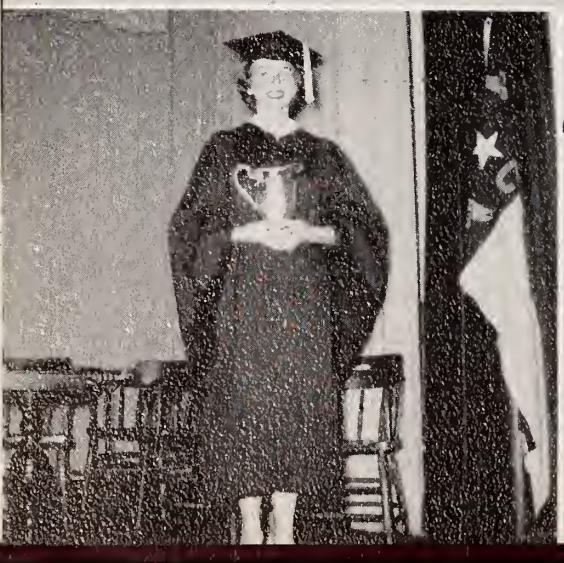
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Best Athlete
Talmadge Sneed
Margaret Creech



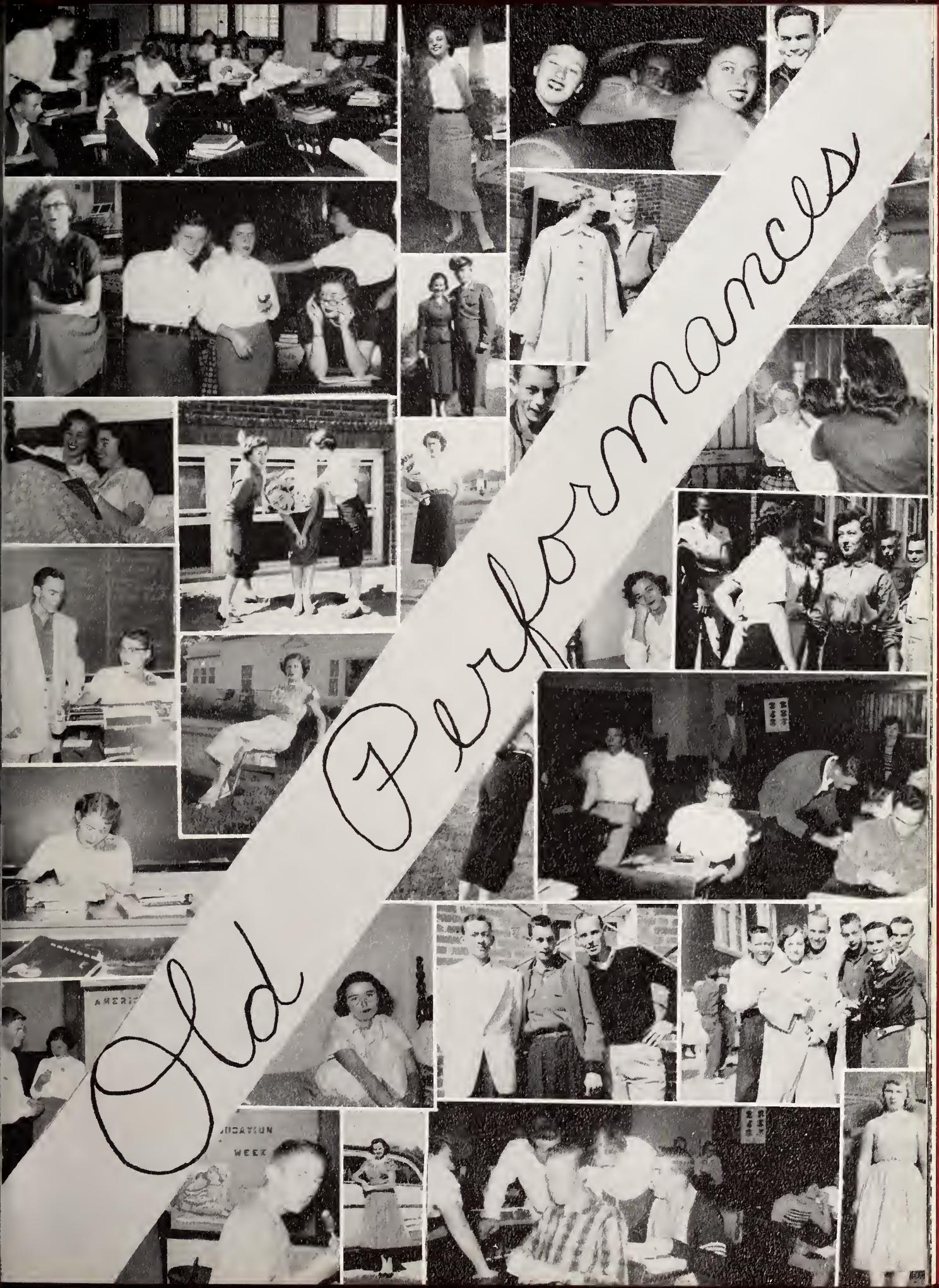
Most Outstanding Senior
Pete Lassiter
Margaret Creech



Best Citizen
Margaret Creech



Albert Conner
Allen Award
Pete Lassiter



Look Back Through The

Years

and remember

The

Class Of

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As Freshmen !



Our Mascots



Selecting Mascots

is an



unusual but

*interesting
experience*



PLAY 54

Have a cigar!

DO-Z-U-H



Calm down!



I'll "maiden" them!



Is it cold?





February
6, 7 & 8, '55



Williamsburg!



Has the purpose
to learn
history?





Basketball



'54 - '55



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December 17 + 18 , '54



Jr. - Sr. Prom

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"Fun and Frolics"



"Halloween Carnival"





Always Last!



Any "male"?



Future dignified
Seniors



And away we go!



He's falling!



Rough Play!



Waiting?



Sticky?



Go to sleep!



"Grauds"



sisters

Come clean!

Exercise?





Hey, Corp! J.H. is a little boy!



Shelling peas
is a lulu



Little Carolyn



Your dignified
sharing



Long, long ago



Who's
this?



Pinned-up girl



Portrait of
a lamp post



Cheesecake

Real indignant



Where's Larry?



Glamour girl



"Short
stuff"



"True
Buddies"





Singing or not!

Posing!



Man Oh Man!



Legs Galore

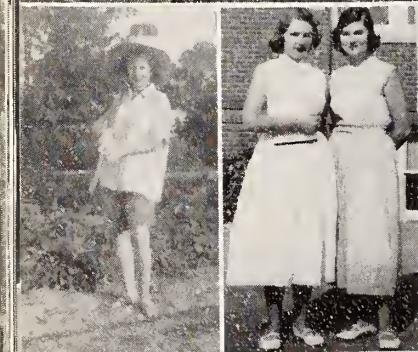
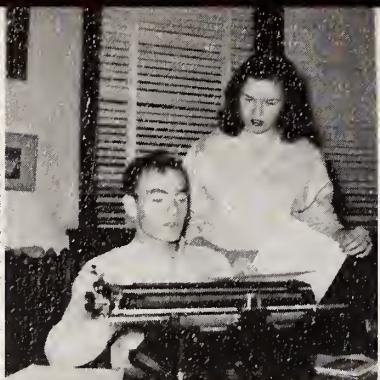
What Are They!



Strictly back !!

Sitting pretty!





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small
tribute



To Two
Great
People



Reminders of the Past Years



Just a bunch of Freshmen

Substitute?



Farmerette



Jo in jeans



Our Coach



Lounging around



A MEREDITH GIRL



HALLOWEEN

CARNIVAL

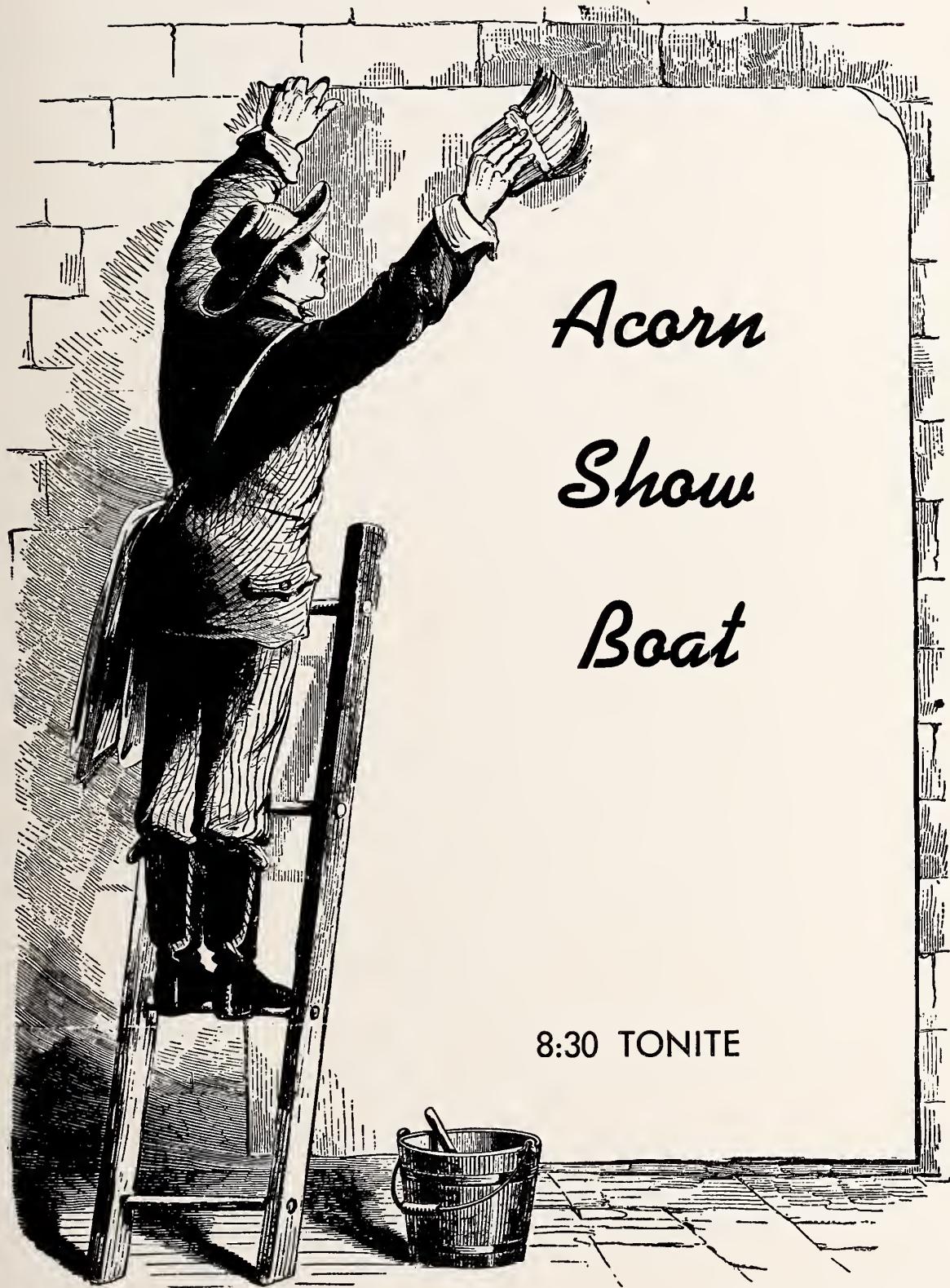
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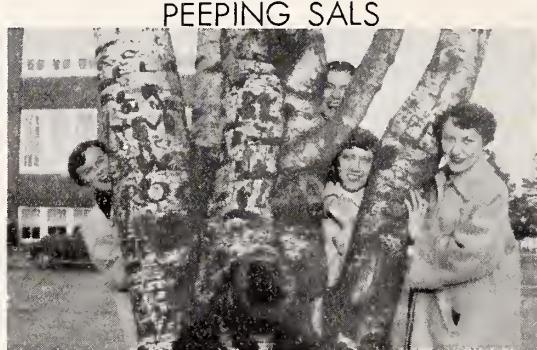
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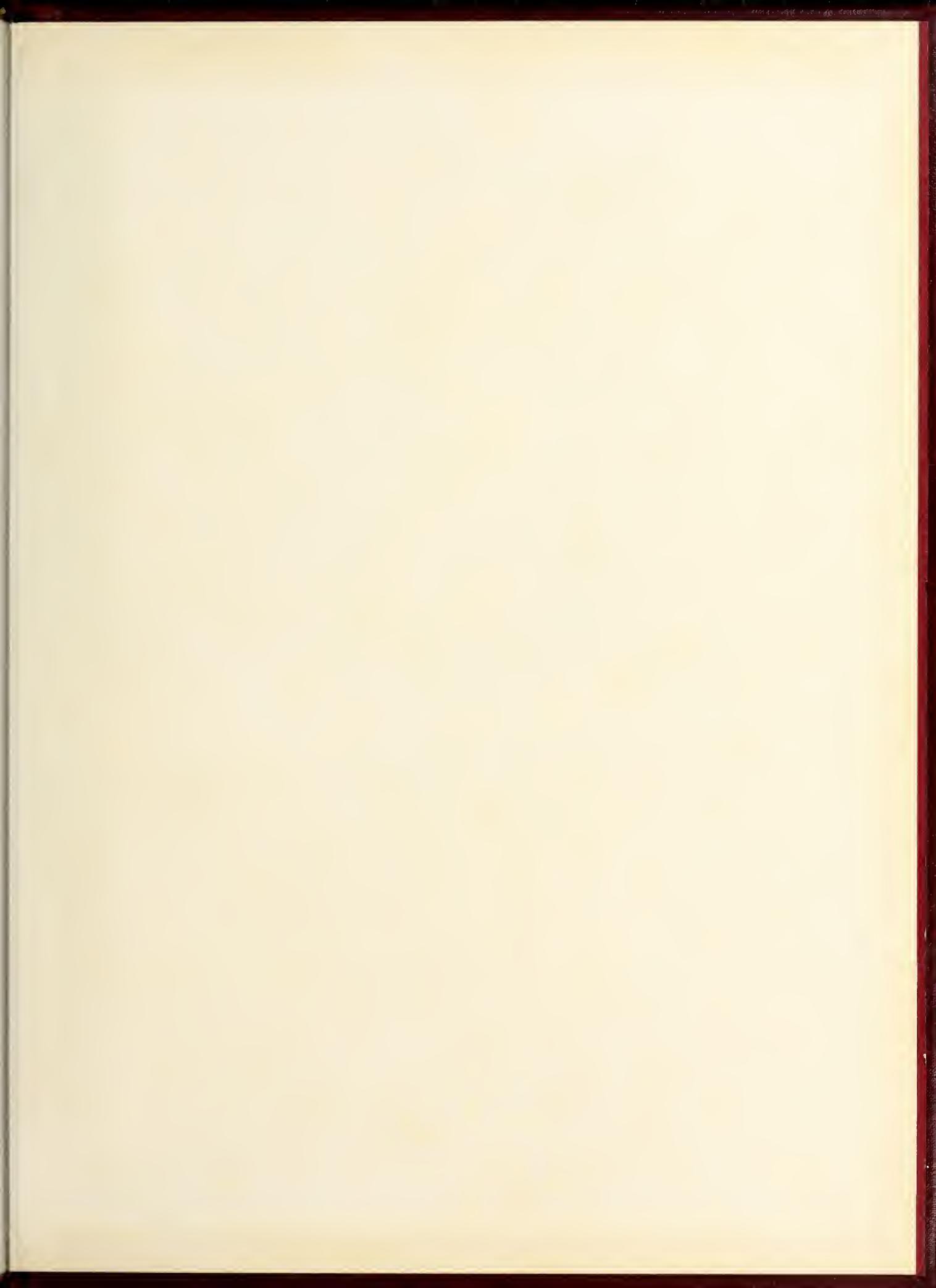
Mattie,

Will this do you good but you
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